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5. I mentioned the briefing of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by the Director last week indicating that it was very well received and there were many laudatory comments. It was clear that a good rapport has been re-established.

6. Mentioned S. 1084 which has passed the Senate and is now pending before the Rules Committee to go on the floor. This is a bill which will permit payroll deductions for payments to savings and loan institutions, banks and credit unions.

7. Advised that, based on current projections, the Civil Service Commission will order a cost-of-living increase in annuities as of 1 May. I indicated that under our existing legislation similar increase for the Agency retirement system could not be paid until a year later. I indicated that Mr. Kelleher was of the view that neither Chairman Rivers nor Representative Philbin would want to conduct any hearings on our legislation on this subject until after the posture hearings. However, I indicated I would still speak to Mr. Philbin personally on this.

8. I referred to the report of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee issued last week which has a number of legislative recommendations concerning Government personnel and security. I touched on the recommendations of immediate interest to the Agency indicating that there was recognition that the security agencies needed special exemptions from the proposed Central Security Office. I also referred to Dirksen's bill, S. 2778, to establish a Central Security Office. On this bill comments have been requested from 33 agencies but not from this Agency. Working from the memo of 26 January 1968, I picked out some of the aspects of this legislation which would have serious impact. I indicated that the Government Operations Committee, to which this bill has been referred, has not yet referred it to a subcommittee and it appears that they will not move on this in the near future. In the meantime, we will monitor this and work with the Bureau of the Budget in looking at the reports of the various agencies. I indicated that we had no good feel yet whether this legislation has a chance of passage. I stated we would monitor this one most carefully.